

I benefit on a daily basis with XM radio's commercial free programming as it provides me the information I need on a more frequent basis. I am looking forward to the day that Atlanta's traffic and weather information will be available as we Atlantian's suffer with THE WORST traffic jams reported in our nation.

By allowing us to receive traffic updates, this permits all Atlanta XM consumers to navigate these congested roads that have been constructed by federal funds in a poor manner, which does not accommodate the current level of drivers. XM Radio is providing us the best service possible and I cannot see how it would compete with the local radio stations. XM does not include idol chatter, repeated music, and 2-3 traffic reports per hour. It does provide concise and accurate traffic information at a moment's notice. I am sure that if the consumers wanted to hear the idol chatter and repeated music, they may simply TURN THE STATION to their local station.

I urge you to please reject the NAB's petition 04-160, which simply allows that organization to continue to maintain their monopolistic edge over the American radio listener. XM Radio provides the American consumer an alternative approach and as we live in a free market system - what is wrong with a little competition? The Cable Industry against satellite television providers has made this same argument yet as an American consumer, I am happy to see that I do have an alternative to the monopolistic cable industry. Please ensure that XM and Sirius are allowed to provide their listeners the best programming possible.